Tuberculosis Sanatorium.

39. ✻MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) With reference to the answer to the question reported at page 97 of Vol. II of the Sri Chitra State Council Proceedings, regarding the establishment of a sanatorium in South Travancore for the treatment of tuberculosis will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the result of the consideration of the Government regarding the selection of a suitable site for the Tuberculosis Hospital ;

(*b*) the action taken by the Government in the matter ; and

(*c*) the date of the sanction, if any, for the establishment of a sanatorium in Travancore ?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*) : (*a*) and (*b*) A site has been proposed by the Land Revenue Department for the establishment of a Tuberculosis Hospital in the Agastisvaram taluk in South Travancore. The Darbar Physician and the Chief Engineer have been asked to examine the suitability of this site for a Tuberculosis Hospital.

(*c*) Government have not sanctioned the establishment of a Tuberculosis Sanatorium in Travancore.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) : May I know from the member how the Land Revenue Department disposed of this file ?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*) : The matter has been under the consideration of Government ; a scheme has been put before the Government by the Medical Department and Government considered the scheme advisable.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) : May I know from the member the date of the proposal sent up by the Land Revenue Department ?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*) : I claim notice.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) : May I know from the member whether the Darbar Physician and the Chief Engineer have examined the suitability of the site?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*) : No.

European Nurses in the General Hospital.

40. ✻MR. A. EASWARA PILLAI (*Kalkulam II*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of European nurses in the General Hospital, Trivandrum ;

(*b*) whether all the European nurses are trained nurses ; and

(*c*) whether volunteering and untrained nurses are given charge of wards ?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*) : (*a*) Seven.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) No.

Recruitment of Police Inspectors.

41. ✻MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*) : Will the Government be pleased to state the principle followed by the Commissioner of Police in appointing clerks in the Police Department as acting Inspectors ?

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RAO BAHADUR N. RAMANUJA AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Police*): Only graduate clerks are selected for promotion to the Inspector's cadre.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know whether seniority is also one of the principles followed in such appointments?

RAO BAHADUR N. RAMANUJA AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Police*): Yes, seniority is also considered.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know whether there is any instance in which seniority has been overlooked in making appointments as Inspectors?

RAO BAHADUR N. RAMANUJA AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Police*): I cannot tell now.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know whether one Mr Subramonia Pillai, a clerk in the Kottayam District Superintendent's office has been appointed as an Inspector?

RAO BAHADUR N. RAMANUJA AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Police*): I believe he has been.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know whether there are clerks who are senior to him either in the Police Commissioner's office or in other offices?

RAO BAHADUR N. RAMANUJA AIYANGAR (*Commisssioner of Police*): There may be.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know the special reason which weighed with the Commissioner in appointing Mr. Subramonia Pillai in preference to his seniors in the Department?

RAO BAHADUR N. RAMANUJA AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Police*): It might have been for very many reasons. The appointment may have been for a very short duration.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know whether his appointment was objected to by the Government on the ground that he is a junior man?

RAO BAHADUR N. RAMANUJA AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Police*): I claim notice.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know whether his appointment was first made on the understanding that the appointment is to be without prejudice to the claims of his seniors?

RAO BAHADUR N. RAMANUJA AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Police*): I have no idea. I claim notice.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know whether he has been appointed twice as acting Inspector?

RAO BAHADUR N. RAMANUJA AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Police*): I claim notice.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): May I know whether efficiency is also taken into consideration in addition to the seniority?

RAO BAHADUR N. RAMANUJA AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Police*): Certainly.

PRESIDENT: The time has expired and therefore no more questions will be asked to-day.

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